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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal sections 196.931, 196.949, and 196.951, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to the state milk board.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 196.931, 196.949, and 196.951, RSMo, are repealed

- 2 and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 196.931,
- 3 196.949, and 196.951, to read as follows:

196.931. As used in sections 196.931 to 196.953 unless the context clearly

- 2 indicates otherwise, the following words and terms shall have the meaning
- 3 indicated:
- 4 (1) "Grade A pasteurized milk", grade A raw milk for pasteurization which
- 5 has been pasteurized, cooled, and placed in the final container in a milk plant and
- 6 conforming with the sanitation and bacteriological standards authorized by
- 7 sections 196.931 to 196.953 and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 8 (2) "Grade A raw milk for pasteurization", raw milk for pasteurization
- 9 from producer dairies and conforming with all of the sanitation and
- 10 bacteriological standards authorized by sections 196.931 to 196.953 and
- 11 regulations which are promulgated thereunder;
- 12 (3) "Graded fluid milk and fluid milk products", milk products include
- 13 cream, light cream, coffee cream, table cream, whipping cream, light whipping
- 14 cream, heavy cream, heavy whipping cream, whipped cream, whipped light cream,
- 15 whipped coffee cream, whipped table cream, sour cream, cultured sour cream,
- 16 half-and-half, sour half-and-half, cultured half-and-half, reconstituted or
- 17 recombined milk and milk products, concentrated milk, concentrated milk
- 18 products, skim milk, skimmed milk, lowfat milk, fortified milk and milk products,

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- 19 vitamin D milk and milk products, homogenized milk, flavored milk or milk
- 20 products, eggnog, eggnog flavored milk, eggnog flavored lowfat milk, buttermilk,
- 21 cultured buttermilk, cultured milk, cultured whole milk buttermilk, and acidified
- 22 milk and milk products, and other fluid milk and fluid milk products so declared
- 23 by the board which are sold, offered for sale, exposed for sale, delivered or
- 24 advertised as graded milk and milk products;
- 25 (4) "Manufacturing raw milk", milk that does not meet the requirements 26 of grade A raw milk for pasteurization as defined in sections 196.931 to 196.959;
- 27 (5) "Milk plant", any place, premises or establishment where graded fluid
- 28 milk or fluid milk products are collected, handled, processed, stored, bottled,
- 29 pasteurized and prepared for distribution, except an establishment where graded
- 30 fluid milk products are sold at retail as purchased from a milk plant;
- 31 (6) "Milk plant operator", any person, firm, corporation or association
- 32 operating any milk plant;
- 33 (7) "Milk producer", any person who operates a dairy farm and provides,
- 34 sells, or offers milk for sale to a milk plant, receiving station, or transfer station;
- 35 (8) "Official rating agency", the state [department of health and senior
- 36 services milk board;
- 37 (9) "Official rating survey", the survey conducted by the official state
- 38 rating agency, as required by sections 196.931 to 196.953;
- 39 (10) "Person" shall mean an individual or individuals, or a firm,
- 40 partnership, company, corporation, trustee, or association;
- 41 (11) "Political subdivision", any municipality, city, incorporated town,
- 42 village, county, township, district or authority, or any portion or combination of
- 43 two or more thereof;
- 44 (12) "State department of agriculture", the department of agriculture of
- 45 Missouri;
- 46 (13) "State department of health and senior services", the department of
- 47 health and senior services of Missouri;
- 48 (14) "State milk board", an appointed state agency functioning as
- 49 administrator of "state milk inspection"; and
- 50 (15) "State milk inspection", the services of inspection, regulation, grading,
- 51 and program evaluation of fluid milk and fluid milk products by agents,
- 52 representatives or employees of the state milk board under the terms and
- 53 provisions of sections 196.931 to 196.959 and regulations adopted to regulate the
- 54 production, transportation, processing, manufacture, distribution and sale of
- 55 graded fluid milk and fluid milk products.

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196.949. Graded fluid milk or fluid milk products not inspected under state milk inspection may be sold, offered for sale, exposed for sale, and delivered in the state of Missouri, or any municipality thereof, if approved [jointly] by the [director of the department of agriculture and the director of the department of health and senior services] state milk board as provided for by regulations adopted [jointly] by the [two agencies and the] state milk board; provided that, the graded fluid milk or fluid milk products from other states shall be produced 7 and processed under the supervision of a duly authorized governmental agency operating under the provisions of an ordinance, statute, or regulation substantially equivalent to the regulations promulgated and adopted by the state 10 milk board and enforced with equal effectiveness as determined by an official 11 12rating survey, and products meet applicable temperature, bacteriological and 13 composition standards when sampled on arrival at point of retail sale. Nothing 14 in this section shall prohibit the state or local health officer from satisfying 15 himself or herself that the governmental agency having jurisdiction over the 16 production and processing is properly enforcing such provisions.

196.951. The [department of health and senior services] state milk board is hereby designated as the official rating agency. At least [annually] biannually, or as often as necessary, the [department of health and senior services] state milk board shall make an official rating survey to determine if there is appropriate and effective enforcement of the standards and provisions of sections 196.931 through 196.953 and such other surveys as may be necessary to 6 7 assure enforcement of sections 196.931 through 196.953 throughout the state. Unsatisfactory conditions shall be deemed to exist when a rating below the 8 minimum acceptable rating established by the [director of the department of agriculture and the director of the department of health and senior services] 10 state milk board is found by the official rating survey. Violation of sections 11 196.931 through 196.953 shall be deemed to exist when the unsatisfactory 12conditions causing the rating to fall below the minimum acceptable rating are not 13 corrected within ninety days. The minimum acceptable rating shall be ninety 14 15 percent for the pasteurized milk supply as determined by rating methods 16 recognized by the United States Public Health Service Food and Drug 17 Administration. The [director of the department of agriculture and the director of the department of health and senior services] state milk board shall [jointly] 18 promulgate and adopt a single method of making official rating surveys of all 19 20 milksheds. Official surveys shall be made by a method substantially equivalent to procedures outlined in United States Governmental Printing Office Publication 21

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22 Number 678, titled "Methods of Making Sanitation Ratings of Milksheds".

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